CLAIMS

- 1. A method for producing a pharmaceutical composition comprising a drug-containing layer, a first functional layer provided to one side of the drug-containing layer either directly or via an intermediate layer, and a second functional layer provided to the other side of the drug-containing layer either directly or via an intermediate layer, wherein the producing method comprises the following steps (a), (b) and (c):
- (a) a step of preparing a first intermediate comprising a first drug-containing layer containing a thermoplastic polymer as a base and a first functional layer provided to one side of the first drug-containing layer either directly or via an intermediate layer, with the other side of the first drug-containing layer being exposed;
- (b) a step of preparing a second intermediate comprising a second drug-containing layer containing a thermoplastic polymer as a base and a second functional layer provided to one side of the second drug-containing layer either directly or via an intermediate layer, with the other side of the second drug-containing layer being exposed; and

- (c) a step of heat-fusing the first drug-containing layer of the first intermediate with the second drugcontaining layer of the second intermediate.
- 2. The producing method according to Claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is an orally administered pharmaceutical composition, and the thermoplastic polymer is a thermoplastic edible polymer.
- 3. The producing method according to Claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic edible polymer is one or two or more thermoplastic edible polymers selected from the group consisting of polyvinylpyrrolidone, vinylpyrrolidone-vinyl acetate copolymer and polyvinyl acetate.
- 4. The producing method according to Claim 2 or 3, wherein the first functional layer and/or second functional layer are water-swellable gel-forming layers.